

## Resolutions—1977

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 4th day April, 1977.

H. R. 400

### RESOLUTION 24

A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE 1976 MASTERS GOLF TOURNAMENT CHAMPION, NORTH CAROLINIAN RAYMOND FLOYD.

Whereas, Raymond Loran Floyd was born on September 4, 1942, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and

Whereas, Raymond Floyd's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Floyd now live in Cumberland County, North Carolina, where the senior Floyd operates the Cypress Lakes Golf Course; and

Whereas, Raymond Floyd joined the professional golf tour in 1963 and was chosen Rookie of the Year in his sport; and

Whereas, Raymond Floyd won the St. Petersburg Open in 1963; the St. Paul Open in 1965; the PGA Championship, the Jacksonville Open and the American Golf Classic, where he was the first person in its history to score four sub-par rounds, in 1969; and the Kemper Open in 1975; and

Whereas, Raymond Floyd was a member of the 1975 United States Ryder Cup Team; and

Whereas, Raymond Floyd was the 1976 World Open Champion in Pinehurst, North Carolina; and

Whereas, on Sunday, April 11, 1976, Raymond Floyd won the 1976 Masters Golf Tournament Championship at the Augusta National Golf Club, setting the following new records: the 36-hole record of 131, the 54-hole record of 201, and the cumulative total on five-par holes record of 14 under par; and

Whereas, in his 1976 Masters victory Raymond Floyd tied the 72-hole Masters record of 271 set by Jack Nicklaus in 1965; and

Whereas, in winning the 40th Masters Championship by eight strokes, Raymond Floyd became only the fourth man to lead all four rounds without being tied; and

Whereas, Raymond Floyd was voted by his fellow professional golfers as player of the year for 1976; and

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly of North Carolina felt that it is important to provide recognition and congratulations to a North Carolinian who has excelled in his sport and has recently brought honor to his home state;

*Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:*

**Section 1.** That the General Assembly of North Carolina extending its congratulations to Raymond Loran Floyd, to his wife and two children, and to his parents for his record-setting victory in the 1976 Masters and excellent career in Professional Golf.

**Sec. 2.** That the General Assembly honors Raymond Floyd for bringing recognition to his home state of North Carolina by his exemplary sportsmanlike demeanor and his brilliant show of golfing abilities in the winning of the 40th Masters Golf Championship in 1976.